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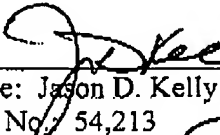
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 25, 2007, the period of response for which runs through January 25, 2008, please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.